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LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL

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Mr. Richard Murphy, CEO South Nassau Communities Hospital One Healthy Way Oceanside, New York 11572

Dear Mr. Murphy:

It has been five months since your acquisition of the Long Beach Medical Center and we are eager to hear what plans and progress has been made in that time. The need and desire for a functioning 24 hour 911 Receiving Emergency Department in the City of Long Beach is critical.

Therefore, we are strongly urging you to schedule a series of public forums to be held in Long Beach as soon as possible, in order to share information with our residents, allowing them to express their needs, concerns and desires for the new facility. Too much time has passed without this much needed community input and dialogue.

Further, we believe that it is imperative that all of the 154 million dollars provided through FEMA goes directly to the construction of the future facility to be built in Long Beach due to the unique geographical constraints of our barrier island.

Please contact the Office of the City Manager as soon as possible in order to discuss the scheduling of these forums. We look forward to working with you in order to provide for the public safety, health and welfare of the people of our community and the entire barrier island.

Very Truly Yours, City of Long Beach City Council

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